

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-37 without prejudice and accept new claims 38-69 as follows:

1. – 37. (canceled)

38. (New) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a first substrate comprising;

a first transparent substrate;

an insulative spacer disposed over the first transparent substrate; and

a first electrode covering at least a portion of the insulative spacer;

a second substrate facing the first substrate, the second substrate comprising;

a second transparent substrate; and

a second electrode disposed over the second transparent substrate and

making direct contact with the first electrode;

a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates; and

a sealing member between the first and second substrates to seal the liquid crystal layer,

wherein at least a portion of the insulative spacer is disposed outside the sealing member.

39. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the first substrate further comprises a common voltage applying line disposed over the first

transparent substrate and electrically connected to the first electrode.

40. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the second electrode is formed of the same material as the first electrode.

41. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the first substrate further comprises a pixel electrode disposed over the first transparent substrate, the pixel electrode is formed of the same material as the first electrode.

42. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein an entire portion of the insulative spacer is disposed outside the sealing member.

43. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the second substrate further comprises a black matrix disposed between the second transparent substrate and the second electrode.

44. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, further comprising a color filter disposed over the first substrate.

45. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 44, wherein the color filter is formed of the same material as the insulative spacer.

46. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 45, further comprising a

planarizing layer disposed over the second substrate.

47. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 46, wherein the planarizing layer is disposed between the insulative spacer and the first electrode.

48. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the first substrate further comprises:

a thin film transistor disposed over the first transparent substrate; and  
a color filter covering the thin film transistor.

49. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 48, wherein the color filter is formed of the same material as the insulative spacer.

50. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 49, further comprising a planarizing layer disposed over the second substrate.

51. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 50, wherein the planarizing layer is disposed between the insulative spacer and the first electrode.

52. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein the second substrate further comprises a black matrix disposed over the second electrode.

53. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 52, wherein the first

electrode makes direct contact with the second electrode through an opening in the black matrix.

54. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, wherein a concavo-convex portion of the first electrode makes direct contact with a concavo-convex portion of the second electrode.

55. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 38, further comprising a spacer between the first and second substrates, the spacer being formed of the same material as the insulative spacer.

56. (New) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a first substrate comprising;

a first transparent substrate;

a thin film transistor disposed over the first transparent substrate;

an insulative spacer disposed over the first transparent substrate; and

a first electrode covering at least a portion of the insulative spacer;

a second substrate facing the first substrate, the second substrate comprising;

a second transparent substrate; and

a second electrode disposed over the second transparent substrate and

making direct contact with the first electrode;

a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates; and

a sealing member between the first and second substrates to seal the liquid

crystal layer.

57. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, wherein at least a portion of the insulative spacer is disposed outside the sealing member.

58. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, wherein the first substrate further comprises a common voltage applying line disposed over the first transparent substrate and electrically connected to the first electrode.

59. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, wherein the first substrate further comprises a color filter covering the thin film transistor.

60. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 59, wherein the color filter is formed of the same material as the insulative spacer.

61. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 60, further comprising a planarizing layer disposed over the second substrate.

62. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 61, wherein the planarizing layer is disposed between the insulative spacer and the first electrode.

63. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, wherein the second substrate further comprises a black matrix disposed over the second electrode.

64. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 63, wherein the first electrode makes direct contact with the second electrode through an opening in the black matrix.

65. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, wherein a concavo-convex portion of the first electrode makes direct contact with a concavo-convex portion of the second electrode.

66. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 56, further comprising a spacer between the first and second substrates, the spacer being formed of the same material as the insulative spacer.

67. (New) A liquid crystal display device having a display region and a peripheral region, the liquid crystal display device comprising:

- a first substrate comprising;

- a first transparent substrate;

- a first insulative spacer disposed over the first transparent substrate and disposed in the peripheral region; and

- a first electrode covering at least a portion of the insulative spacer;

- a second substrate facing the first substrate, the second substrate comprising;

- a second transparent substrate; and

- a second electrode disposed over the second transparent substrate and

making direct contact with the first electrode;  
a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates;  
a sealing member between the first and second substrates to seal the liquid crystal layer; and  
a second insulative spacer disposed in the display region, the second insulative spacer being formed of the same material as the first insulative spacer.

68. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 67, wherein at least a portion of the insulative spacer is disposed outside the sealing member.

69. (New) The liquid crystal display device of claim 67, wherein the first substrate further comprises a common voltage applying line disposed over the first transparent substrate and electrically connected to the first electrode.